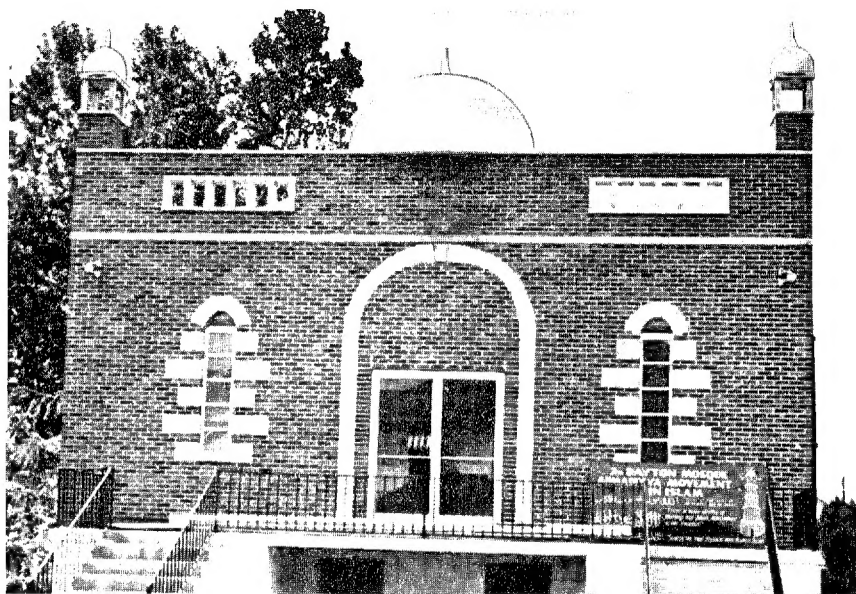


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(THE PROMISED MESSIAH)

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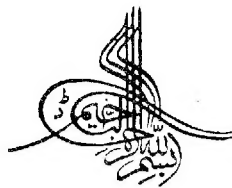
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The initiate shall solemnly promise:

- I. That he shall abstain from Shirk (association of any partner with God), right up to the day of his death.
- II. That he shall keep away from falsehood, fornication, adultery, trespasses of the eye, debauchery, dissipation, cruelty, dishonesty, mischief and rebellion; and will not permit himself to be carried away by passions, however strong they may be.
- III. That he shall regularly offer the five daily prayers in accordance with the commandments of God and the Holy Prophet; and shall try his best to be regular in offering the Tahajjud (pre-dawn supererogatory prayer) and invoking Darud (blessings) on the Holy Prophet; that he shall make it his daily routine to ask forgiveness for his sins, to remember the bounties of God and to praise and glorify Him.
- IV. That under the impulse of any passion, he shall cause no harm whatsoever to the creatures of Allah, in general, and Muslims, in particular, neither by his tongue nor by his hands nor by any other means.

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### A TIDINGS AND A WARNING



KHALIFATUL-MASIH III

Speaking to a Press Conference, held in London, on May 18, 1970, the present head of the Ahmadiyya Community, Hazrat Mirza Nasir Ahmad, predicted in the light of some verses of the Holy Quran, that within the next 23 years, a Great Revolution is going to take place in the world. When that Revolution takes place, the world, he said, shall undergo a thorough change, and it will be a different world from what it is now, but will be a better one.

Along with this Glad Tidings, he also warned Britain and the rest of the Western World that, if, in the meantime, the world does not turn to the One True God, it will suffer a terrible destruction, so much so, that it will seem as if life has become extinct from the earth.

To be saved from this destruction, he said, it will be essential for humanity to give up the worship of the matter and absorption in material pleasures, and to recognize and believe in the One True God and turn to Him. The remedy to materialistic tendency and the solution to the Problems grown out of it, he said, lies in bringing about a transformation of heart in the light of the teachings of Islam.

This warning was sounded, once before, by the same Leader of the Ahmadiyya Community, in a lecture delivered at the Wandsworth Hall, London, on July 27, 1967, and it was published in "The London Times," which published the Warning this time also in its issue of May 19, 1970, in a very prominent manner. The Warning has thus been well conveyed to the people of the West. May God open the eyes of the people to see the Truth and follow the Way to peace and happiness! Amen!

### **THE DAY OF THE PROSPERITY OF ISLAM HAS DAWNED**

In a Press Conference held in Sierraleon (Africa), on May 12, 1970, the Head of the Community said:

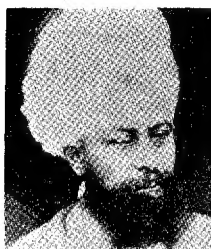
"After a thousand years of darkness, the Day of the Prosperity of Islam has again dawned, through the Promised Messiah, peace be on him, and it will, Insha-Allah (God Willing), reach the meridian within 25 years. No power on earth shall be able to stem the progress of Ahmadiyyat or True Islam although today its success appears to be impossible, even as, the conquest of Mecca by the Muslims of Medina appeared to be impossible, only two months before the conquest."

### **SIGNS OF VICTORY OF ISLAM BECOMING MANIFEST**

Describing the good result of his recent tour over West Africa, Hazrat Kahlifatul-Masih III, the present Head of the Ahmadiyya Community, said that in the neighborhood of Abadan, a city of Nigeria, W. Africa, the people invited Ahmadis to discuss Islam, and that after two hours' discussion 40 persons belonging to 13 different villages have accepted Islam. Further, about 100 students of a school have also taken initiation into the Holy Movement. Moreover, five new Jamats have been created in Sierraleon. Ahmadiyyat or True Islam has become the topic of the day among the educated people there. It seems as if the world has changed, and a great revolution is taking place. Signs of the Victory of Islam are daily becoming more and more manifest. Alhamdulillah! (All praise be to God).

## THE FUTURE OF ISLAM IS BOUND UP WITH AFRICA

*Lecture delivered by Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II, the Second Successor of the Promised Messiah, peace be on him.*



KHALIFATUL MASIH II

On February 18, 1945, on the occasion of a Dinner given in honor of the late Maulana Nazir Ahmad Mubash-shir, who had long been a Missionary in West Africa, late Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II said:

“God has preserved the African countries for Ahmadiyyat or True Islam. They are very deeply connected with its progress. The future of Islam and Ahmadiyyat is bound up with Africa. The African countries have about 15 hundred million (now more) people, who are now passing through the same condition through which the Arabs were passing at the time of the advent of the Holy Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be on him. They are like dry wood or heaps of dry leaves, spreading over vast different regions. Some hands are needed to strike a match and burn them to ashes — ashes, of course, in the eyes of the world, but in the eyes of God an antidote containing such chemicals as will give life not only to them but to the entire world. God drew my attention to this fact just in time, and then, through His sheer Grace, opened the way of extraordinary progress for us in that continent . . .

God has unveiled this Secret to me that there the doors of extraordinary progress for us are open — a fact which should not at all be lost sight of. If our youths do not go there to convey the Message of Islam very soon, and try to conquer the entire land for Islam within the shortest possible time, we shall be left no other way to progress. God has preserved this land for us alone. But bandits may go there and deprive us of this land . . .

If we make only a little effort, we shall attain victory because the Truth is with us. Further, the nature of the African people, which is akin and homogenous to us, will

also help us. And this is an advantage we have over our adversaries who want to win victory there simply by means of physical power. But we have the power of Truth with us, and African character will also support us. The African nations will, therefore, be inclined towards us, and not towards them.

So, it is the time that demands great alertness and wakefulness on our part — time for us to work with extreme expedition and quickness. In some days or months we should prevail all over Africa . . . and establish there, forever, the Kingdom of One God instead of Trinity.”

We hope and pray that the recent tour of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih III will prove full of extraordinary blessings in favor of Islam and Ahmadiyyat, and will, by Allah’s Grace, usher in a new period of progress and prosperity of Islam there, heralding the Victory of Islam over the rest of the World: Amen! Amen!

#### **A UNIQUE RECEPTION TO A RELIGIOUS LEADER**

Wherever the Head of the Ahmadiyya Community, Hazrat Mirza Nasir Ahmad, went during his Historical Tour over West Africa, he was accorded a warm welcome. But the welcome accorded to him at Techimann (Ghana) excelled all others, not only in warmth, but also in its character as being an Inter-communal one, inasmuch as people of all faiths joined hands in extending warm and hearty welcome to him. It is a living sign of the Living God Who gave glad Tidings to the Promised Messiah, peace be on him, that He would inspire love for him into the hearts of the people and that people would seek blessings from his clothes, (i. e., descendants). It is indeed God Who inspired love in the hearts of the people of all faiths of Africa, to receive warmly a humble person coming from a distance of seven thousand miles, from a country considered undeveloped — a person having no political or any kind of worldly importance whatsoever. But the love and warmth they showed to him has no parallel in the love and warmth shown to any worldly dignitary — king, emperor or President of a State. It is a Living Sign of the truth of the Promised Messiah, peace be on him, for those who ponder.

On April 22, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih left Kamasi for Techimann where there are eight well-organized Ahmadiyya Jamats. Some members of the Jamat travelled a distance of ten miles to welcome him on the way and escort him to Techimann. Three big gates made of beautiful cloth were installed, at intervals, on the way. On the First gate was inscribed in artistic Arabic letters the Arabic Formula of Welcome, "Ahlan wa sahlān wa marhaba" (i. e., welcome feel at home, be happy); on the Second was inscribed the Quranic Verse "Innaddina ingdallahil Islam" (Surely, The religion to Allah is Islam), and on the Third, the Urdu revelation to the Promised Messiah (peace be on him), which means "I will make thy Mission reach the farthest ends of the earth."

At every gate brothers and sisters, clad in white clothes, with smiling and cheerful faces and hearts full of love and affection, were waiting eagerly, looking forward to seeing the Promised Grandson, and Successor of the Promised Mahdi and Messiah, peace be on him. Allah fulfilled their ardent desire and they felt, as it were, the Promised Mahdi himself had walked into their houses. Men, women, children were greeting their Beloved Spiritual Leader with exclamations of "Assalamu alaikum" and "Allahu Akbar." The atmosphere was resounding with shouts of "Allahu Akbar."

Hazrat Khalifatul Masih was given hearty welcome everywhere but this Jamat seemed to have excelled all others in zeal, warmth and enthusiasm. First of all, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih went to the bungalow of Suleman Twi, who built it newly, specially for the purpose of the reception of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih. Here Hazrat and his companions were served with refreshments consisting of cold drinks and fruit — mangoes, pineapples, etc. Sisters of the Jamat were singing outside — "The Mahdi has come, believe in him." Hazrat shook hands with the President of the Jamat, Mr. Abu Bakr, and presented him with a ring.

In front of the house at a distance of about a furlong was the stage. It was near the new Mosque to be opened by Hazrat. A beautiful canopy, resting on beautifully decorated columns, shaded the stage. In front of the stage were waving the banners of Ahmadiyyat and Khuddamul-Ahmadiyya.

All members were wearing the same kind of white toga and had the same kind of caps on their heads.

In front of the stage, seated, were the paramounts; the Chief paramounts with their attendants; the Superintendent of police with his party of policemen; the principal of the Secondary School, Mr. Opoku; Rev. Huisonan, a Roman Catholic Padre; Mr. Michael, a research scholar, and several other dignitaries. The Kuddam were standing alert on their duties in their respective places.

The function started with recitation from the Holy Quran, which was followed by a chorus in Arabic chanted by sisters. Maulana Abdul Wahab then read out his address which was full of expressions of sincerity and fidelity, love and affection. His address was followed by the address of a Christian Paramount Chief, who accorded hearty welcome on behalf of his nation and tribe, and expressed exceeding delight and felicitation at Hazrat's visit to their country which they said was highly honored by his footsteps.

Having delivered the address, the Paramount Chief with all his retinue and chiefs went to the stage and presented the address to Hazrat who accepted it, shaking hands with him. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih then delivered his address which was full of love, spiritual fervor, prayer and outpourings of a feeling heart. Thanking the Paramount Chief for his address which, he said, was a spontaneous expression of his sincere love, he said:

"I assure you that a Great Day has dawned upon you. You have a very bright future. O ye nation of Bilal, (A Beloved Companion of the Holy Prophet) The Day of your glory and honor has come. From now none will look upon you with contempt . . . My heart is full of emotions. My soul is prostrating before its Lord for your sake. May Allah enable you to recognize your position, and, instead of bowing before any man, may you bow before the One True God. If you act upon the Quranic teachings which have been sent for your exaltation and for your spiritual and temporal progress, the Day is near when you will become the teachers of those who were so long being considered your teachers."



In conclusion, he said, "I always remember you in my prayers every day and will remember you in future, too."

After this inspiring address he laid the foundation stones of the Mosque as well as of the Lajna Hall. At the end of the function he expressed his great felicitation at the good arrangement made by the President of the Jamat, Mr. Wahab and at the discipline of the Jamat displayed during the function.

## THE PROMISED MESSIAH

**Sahibzada Mirza Mubarak Ahmad**

*Vakil-ut-Tabshir*

*(Lecture delivered in Indonesia in 1969)*

*(Second of Series)*



MIRZA MUBARAK AHMAD

Sisters and brothers, I have given you a very brief and inadequate account of the Promised Messiah's love of God, and God's love for the Promised Messiah, peace be on him. Now, it is up to you to sow this seed of love in your hearts, and to nourish it with the water of Divine love.

Next to his love for God, was his love for His Prophet. In this case also, the Promised Messiah's love is unparalleled. He describes it in a couplet:

"Next to my love of God, I am intoxicated with the love of Mohammad. If this be infidelity, by God I am a confirmed infidel."

Hazrat Mirza Bashir Ahmad (Allah be pleased with him), who was the second among the Divinely promised children of the Promised Messiah, peace be on him, and occupied a lofty position in the service and the training and instruction of the Community, has said:

"This humble one is a son of the Promised Messiah, and this is a great blessing, for which I do not have adequate

words to express my gratitude to God, nay, I do not even have an idea of what would be adequate gratitude. However, I shall, one day, die and appear before God. Bearing this in mind, and citing God as my witness Who is ever with me, and is seeing me, I affirm that I have never seen on any occasion when on the mere mention of the Holy Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be on him, tears did not well up in the eyes of the Promised Messiah, peace be on him. His heart and mind, nay, every particle of his body, was filled with the love of his Master, Mohammad, the Leader of the Universe and the Pride of creation."

Once the Promised Messiah, peace be on him, was strolling alone in the small Mosque, called Masjid Mubarak, which was a part of his house, and was reciting something in a very low tone while tears coursed down his cheeks. At that time, one of his disciples chanced to come in and heard him reciting the following couplet, which was composed and recited soon after the demise of the Holy Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be on him, by his Companion, Hassan Bin sabit:

"Thou wert the pupil of my eye, which has now become sightless. After thee let anyone die who may so will, I was fearful of thy death alone."

It is well known that the Promised Messiah, peace be on him, experienced every type of distress and was the victim of cruel and sustained persecution at the hands of his opponents. He suffered numerous tragic bereavements in the deaths of his children, relatives, friends and devoted disciples, yet his eyes never betrayed the emotions of his heart. But, while reciting, in seclusion, a couplet relating to the demise of his beloved Master, the Holy Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be on him, the tragic event having taken place thirteen centuries earlier, his eyes overflowed with tears.

I would fervently entreat my brethren who have not yet recognized the Promised Messiah, peace be on him, and have not yet joined his Community to assist his Divine

Mission, to reflect, in a spirit of earnest seeking after God and righteousness, over this one single point:

Can one, who, thirteen centuries after the demise of his Master, is as sorely grieved and distressed at his loss as one is at a sudden calamity, throw off lightly the yoke of loyalty and servitude to him? Man has, now and then, to bear dire calamities and shocks. Parents are bereaved of their children, and children of their parents; husbands are bereaved of their wives, and wives of their husbands. Time, however, gradually heals the wounds and injuries so inflicted. But consider how deep and intense the love of that heart must be, the anguish of which proceeding from the loss of its beloved thirteen centuries earlier, would not be assuaged by the passage of time.

Hazrat Nawab Mubaraka Begum, the eldest daughter of the Promised Messiah, peace be on him, and one of his Divinely promised children, who is blessed with great intellectual capacity and whose reports carry great weight, narrates that once the Promised Messiah, peace be on him, was indisposed, and was lying on a cot in his chamber. Hazrat Ammajan (the consort of the Promised Messiah, known in the Jamaat as Ummul-Muminin) and Hazrat Mir Nasir Nawab Sahib (Ammajan's father) were in his company. The talk turned on Hajj (Pilgrimage) to Mecca. Hazrat Mir Sahib suggested that as the journey to the Hedjaz had become much easier than of yore, the possibility of performing the Pilgrimage should be considered. At the thought of visiting the Sacred Shrines of Mecca and Medina the Promised Messiah's eyes began to run with tears; while wiping them off he observed:

"This is my heart's desire; but I doubt whether I could endure the sight of the Sacred Tomb of the Holy Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be on him."

(This incident has been published in the booklet: Traditions Reported by Hazrat Mubaraka Begum. I have however, heard it directly from her).

It is due to this intense love for the Holy Prophet,

peace and blessings of Allah be on him, that every poem or piece of prose, written in his praise by the Promised Messiah, is, as it were, an ocean of love, containing innumerable pearls and jewels. Here is an English rendering of some of the verses from one of his Persian poems:

“A wonderful light illumines the soul of Mohammad; of rare beauty are the rubies to be discovered in the spiritual mines of Mohammad.

“If thou seekest proof of the truth of Mohammad, fall in love with him, for Mohammad is the clearest proof of the truth of Mohammad.

“In the pursuit of his path, were I to be slaughtered or burnt to death, I would not turn away from the door of Mohammad.

“Thou hast illumined my soul with love, O soul of Mohammad, my soul yearns to lay itself down for thee.”  
(Aina-i-Kamalat-i-Islam.)

Likewise, in an Arabic poem, addressing the Holy Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be on him, he says:

“Look upon me with compassion and tenderness, my Master, I am the meanest of thy servants.

“Beloved, thy love has penetrated my soul, my mind and my heart. Not for a moment, not for a second, is my mind free of the remembrance of thy countenance, O garden of my delight. My body is eager to fly towards thee, would that I possessed the power of flight.” (Aina-i-Kamalat-i-Islam)

Sincere love naturally manifests itself through sacrifice and jealous regard for the beloved. A true lover is always jealous for his beloved, and is ever ready to sacrifice himself for his sake. The Promised Messiah, peace be on him, had a very jealous regard for his Master and Teacher, Mohammad, peace and blessings of Allah be on him. Referring to the false and outrageous accusations of Christian missionaries against the Holy Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be on

him, the Promised Messiah, peace be on him, says:

“Christian missionaries have fabricated innumerable false charges against our Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be on him. Nothing has lacerated my heart so grievously as the mockery and ridicule these people have heaped upon our Holy Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be on him. Their cutting remarks against the best of men have severely wounded my heart. God is my witness that if all my children, children’s children, friends, colleagues and helpers were slaughtered before my eyes, my limbs were torn apart, the pupils of my eyes were plucked out, all my designs were frustrated, and I was deprived of every pleasure and comfort, the agony imposed upon me by these vile attacks on the Holy Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be on him, would still far transcend the pain and suffering entailed by the miseries I have enumerated. So, Lord in Heaven, I implore Thee, cast a look of mercy and compassion on me, and deliver me from this grievous trial.” (Aina-i-Kamalat-i-Islam.)

Once the Promised Messiah, peace be on him, was waiting for a train outside the Lahore railway station when Pandit Lekhram, who perished later in fulfillment of a prophecy of the Promised Messiah, happening to pass near and learning of the presence of the Promised Messiah, approached to pay his formal respects to him. The Promised Messiah, peace be on him, was preparing for the Prayer Service. Pandit Lekhram greeted him with *Salam*. But the Promised Messiah did not respond as if he had not noticed him. Pandit Lekhram then approached the Promised Messiah from another side, and offered *Salam* again. The Promised Messiah remained silent. When Pandit Lekhram had left, someone said to the Promised Messiah: “Sir, Lekhram came and offered *Salam* to you.” The Promised Messiah observed: “He reviles my Master and tenders *Salam* to me.” That was the reaction of one who was courtesy and mercy personified for people of all classes and creeds, who treated people of all nationalities and communities with the utmost kindness and sympathy. But where the honour of his beloved Master was involved, he was uncompromising.

(To be Continued)

**THE 23RD. ANNUAL  
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## THE AHMADIYYA MOVEMENT IN ISLAM

The Ahmadiyya Movement was founded in 1889 by Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad of Qadian, Gurdaspur, India. He claimed to be the Promised Messiah and Mahdi. He made the startling discovery that Jesus Christ escaped death on the cross, migrated to the east and conveyed his message to the lost tribes of the Israelites settled in Afghanistan and north-western India and died a natural death at the ripe old age of 120 and was buried in Srinagar, Kashmir, where his tomb is still to be found.

Hazrat Ahmad's claim to be the Messiah, Mahdi & Krishna raised a storm of opposition from the Muslims, the Christians and the Hindoos of India. But his following daily increased and numbered hundreds of thousands by the year 1908 when he breathed his last. His First Successor was Hazrat Mauluri Nuruddin, one of his most devoted followers, the second was his Promised son, Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad and his present Successor is Hazrat Mirza Nasir Ahmad, his Promised grandson.

The Movement has now a network of well-organized Missions all over the world and a number of Mosques built in Europe, America and Africa.

After the partition of India in 1947 the Headquarters of the Movement moved to the newly-built town of Rabwah in West Pakistan.

Information and literature about the Movement can be had from:

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- V. That he shall remain faithful to God in all circumstances of life, in sorrow and happiness, adversity and prosperity, in felicity and trials; and shall in all conditions remain resigned to the decree of Allah and keep himself ready to face all kinds of indignities and sufferings in His way and shall never turn away from it at the onslaught of any misfortune; on the contrary, he shall march forward.
- VI. That he shall refrain from following Un-Islamic customs and lustful inclinations, and shall completely submit himself to the Authority of the Holy Quran; and shall make the Word of God and the Sayings of the Holy Prophet the guiding principle in every walk of his life.
- VII. That he shall entirely give up pride and vanity and shall pass all his life in lowliness, humbleness, cheerfulness, forbearance and meekness.
- VIII. That he shall hold Faith, the honour of Faith, and the cause of Islam dearer to him than his life, wealth, honour, children and all other dear ones.
- IX. That he shall keep himself occupied in the service of God's creatures, for His sake only; and shall endeavour to benefit mankind to the best of his God-given abilities and powers.
- X. That he shall enter into a bond of brotherhood with the Promised Messiah, pledging obedience to him in everything good, for the sake of Allah, and remain faithful to it till the day of his death; that he shall exert such a high devotion in the observance of this bond as is not to be found in any other wordly relationship and connection demanding devoted dutifulness.

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